

Preliminary Amendment
PCT/EP2003/012337
Attorney Docket Q87665
May 5, 2005

REMARKS

The application has been amended to delete the multiple dependencies therein, to provide appropriate headings for the various sections of the specification, and to eliminate the reference to specific claims within the text of the specification. Entry and consideration of this Amendment and an early and favorable action on the merits are respectfully requested.

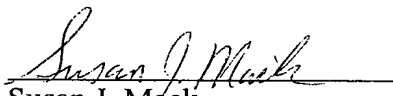
Respectfully submitted,

SUGHRUE MION, PLLC
Telephone: (202) 293-7060
Facsimile: (202) 293-7860

WASHINGTON OFFICE

23373

CUSTOMER NUMBER


Susan J. Mack
Registration No. 30,951
for

Robert V. Sloan
Registration No. 22,775

Date: May 5, 2005